

VILLAGE OF MILAN COUNCIL MEETING  
July 16, 2018  
Milan Municipal Building  
5:30 P.M.  
AGENDA

1. Roll Call
  2. Pledge of Allegiance
  3. Consideration of the Minutes of July 2, 2018
  4. Consideration of the Treasurer's Report
  5. Consideration of the Semi-Monthly and Miscellaneous Bills
  6. Consideration of an Agreement with Bluestem Energy under the Future Energy Jobs Act concerning using Renewable Energy
  7. Consideration of a Liquor License Gaslight Mart, LLC (new owner)
  8. Consideration of a Video Gaming License Lucky Duckys (new owner)
  9. Consideration to Issue an RFP for an Economic Development Plan Co-Ordinated with the Brissman Foundation
  10. Committee Reports
  11. Citizens Opportunity to Address the Village Board
  12. Adjourn
- Updated 7/6/18  
Updated 7/10/18

ROLL CALL

Roll call vote showed present, Trustees Jerry Wilson, Bruce Stickell, Jim Flannery, Jay Zimmerman, Harry Stuart and Jody Taylor. No one was absent.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Attorney Scott led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES

All Board Members received a copy of the July 2, 2018 Village Board meeting minutes and minutes of the preceding Appropriations Public Hearing.

There being no comments, Trustee Wilson moved to approve the minutes of the July 2<sup>nd</sup> Appropriations Public Hearing and July 2<sup>nd</sup> regular Village Board Meeting as presented. Trustee Flannery seconded the motion. All Trustees voted "Aye". Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION OF THE TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Mark Hunt was present and presented his Financial Report ending June 30<sup>th</sup>.

His General Fund Revenue report showed approximately 17% of the budgeted tax coming in.

His budget summary showed each department's spending staying within budget parameters.

Larger expenses were QCom911 startup cash from General Fund, Economic Development Group from TIF's I, II, and III and Bond and Interest payments from the Water and Sewer Fund.

He stated all fund balances are positive. The Water and Sewer Fund had larger expenses than revenues coming in so far this year, but revenues should catch up in a month or two.

There being no questions on the Treasurer's Report, Trustee Stickell moved to approve the report as presented and Trustee Taylor seconded the motion. All Trustees voted "Aye". Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION OF THE SEMI-MONTHLY AND MISCELLANEOUS BILLS

Trustee Taylor, Finance Chairman, stated there is one set of bills to approve tonight in the amount of \$93,990.56. The larger payments are for health insurance premiums and claims, chemicals for the Sewer Plant, the annual payment to the EPA, Mid American Energy and Eye & Dental reimbursements. These bills make up over \$60,000 of the \$93,000 of the semi-monthly bills.

Administrator Seiver stated the EPA is in the process of mandating further cleanup of the water dispersed into the river. This will increase costs to the sewer plant. The recent water rate increase will be used to cover these costs.

There being no further discussion, Trustee Taylor moved to pay the bills as presented in the amount of \$92,990.56. Trustee Zimmerman seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed Trustees Stickell, Flannery, Zimmerman, Stuart, Taylor and Wilson voted "Aye". Motion carried.

The bills will be paid from the following accounts:

General	\$ 27,120.65
Garbage	2,199.81
Motor Fuel Tax	5,686.62
Camden Centre	2,476.19
Special Tax Allocation II	28.56
Insurance Reserve	17,629.09
Water & Sewer	<u>37,849.64</u>
Total	\$ 92,990.56

CONSIDERATION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH BLUESTEM ENERGY UNDER THE FUTURE ENERGY JOBS ACT CONCERNING USING RENEWABLE ENERGY

Mayor Dawson stated the Council directed Finance Director Hunt, Administrator Seiver and Attorney Scott to review a proposed agreement with Bluestem Development Services regarding analysis of the area to build renewable energy projects and to sell this energy back to Milan. They have reviewed and perfected the agreement to suit the village's best interest. He asked Mr. Hunt to give a review of what this agreement would mean to the village.

Mr. Hunt said the analysis would not cost the village anything and we would not be obligated to purchase electricity from Bluestem. The agreement is for nine months and would require the village not to negotiate with any other developer of renewable energy. The negotiation agreement does not include the Milan Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Mr. Hunt stated if power sites were developed and the village bought from them, the village could save approximately 21% on the cost of electricity.

Attorney Scott stated the agreement has a clause that requires the village to meet with Bluestem and consider a Power Purchase Agreement if power project sites are available to serve us. Bluestem must be able to provide a reliable product at low rate. If the parties cannot agree on and execute a PPA there will be no further obligations to each other.

After some discussion the consensus was to enter into the agreement.

Trustee Zimmerman moved to direct the necessary parties to sign the agreement. Trustee Wilson seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed Trustees Flannery, Zimmerman, Stuart, Taylor, Wilson and Stickell voted "Aye". Motion carried.

Administrator Seiver stated he and Mr. Hunt have had discussions with Keystone regarding their proposal for a renewable energy project in the immediate area of the Sewer Treatment Plant. They both feel it would be a desirable situation for Milan and will keep the Council updated. He will ask

if the representatives from Keystone would like to make a presentation at a Council meeting in the next few weeks.

CONSIDERATION OF A CLASS G 1 LIQUOR LICENSE FOR GASLIGHT MART, LLC

Mayor Dawson stated GasLight Mart LLC, has new owners, Ramesh Pandit and Suresh Alhikari DBA Grocery Saver LLC. Their background checks have been done and have been approved. They have completed the G-1 liquor license application. Mayor Dawson, as Liquor Commissioner, is recommending approval of the license.

Trustee Stickell moved to approve a class G-1 Liquor License for GasLight Mart, LLC and Trustee Stuart seconded the motion. All Trustees voted "Aye". Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION OF A VIDEO GAMING LICENSE FOR LUCKY DUCKYS

Mary J. Wright, new owner of Lucky Duckys has completed a Video Gaming Application for her establishment at 7525 East First Avenue, Lucky Duckys LLC. Mayor Dawson stated she has successfully completed the application and background check. He is recommending approval of the license.

Trustee Stuart moved to approve the video gaming license for Lucky Duckys. Trustee Wilson seconded the motion. All Trustees voted "Aye". Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION TO ISSUE AN RFP FOR AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN CO-ORDINATED WITH THE BRISSMAN FOUNDATION

Administrator Seiver stated he did not list this item on his agenda and website posting, so no vote concerning expending money can be made tonight.

He would like to discuss the possibility of the Council working with the Brissman Foundation on the idea of an updated Economic Development Plan. As you know the Brissman Foundation contributes donations of matching funds up to 50% for worthwhile projects for the Village of Milan. They have recently approved a donation of between \$7,000 and \$15,000 to the village for Bi-State to draw an Economic Development Plan for the Village. He feels this would be a great opportunity to update the plan at half the cost.

Finance Director Hunt stated he is excited to see a plan which could be a real workable plan not just an idle idea.

Mr. Seiver is asking for direction on working with Brissman and the village match and getting proposals by preparing the request for proposal on the project.

The consensus of the Board was to allow Mr. Seiver and Mr. Hunt to proceed with the RFP for an Economic Development Plan and continue talks with the representatives of the Brissman Foundation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Stuart announced a meeting at 10:00 a.m. at the Camden Center to discuss the Trivia Night sponsored by the Milan Lions and the Village to support the Milan Fireworks.

Trustee Flannery stated the Fireworks went well. The Park was full of spectators.

He would like some input on a request from a person who asked to rent the lodge for his retirement party. He would also like to be allowed to set off fireworks at the party. He is a licensed pyrotechnic.

There was discussion regarding the fireworks such as weather conditions, our insurance and his, police security and a perimeter for the fireworks so guests are safe.

Trustee Taylor will ask the Fire Department what precautions we should require as well as their opinion of allowing fireworks on a public property we rent.

Trustee Flannery also stated the house at the entrance of Legends subdivision is creating a mud slide onto 27<sup>th</sup> Street. Mr. Dave Krouth stated the water runoff from the house is washing out the ditch and it is almost up to the road.

Mayor Dawson asked Trustee Flannery to go with Steve Moller, Building Inspector and ask that person to build a silt field or berm to re-direct the water shed off the road.

Trustee Flannery stated for sale signs and other signs are posted and left out for months, at the entrance to 27<sup>th</sup> Street from the Beltway. Is there a time limit they may be left up?

Mayor Dawson asked that Mr. Moller take care of the sign situation.

A question of whether a permit was needed for a transient merchant selling vegetables at the gas station at the corner of West 4<sup>th</sup> Street and Andalusia Road. The man has permission from the gas station owner.

Clerk Lee stated they have always had to have a license from the village even though they have permission from the land owner. Mr. Moller will look into it.

Administrator Seiver stated there has been some progress on the QComm911 Center on 3<sup>rd</sup> floor. The QComm911 Board has been talking with Estes Construction and the work should start on August 27<sup>th</sup>. They estimate 55 days to completion. That puts it around mid- November. If that timeline is correct, it means QComm911 could be operational by the end of the year.

Trustee Taylor said Chuck Hensen created a "I Love Milan" vehicle sticker. They are sold at B & B, both Vegas Video Gaming establishments and at E Z Liv'in Sports shop.

#### CITIZENS OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE VILLAGE BOARD

Mr. Dave Krouth would like to know if the Blackhawk Fire District is functioning.

Attorney Scott stated they are, and are in the process of advertising for a fire chief.

#### ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mayor Dawson asked for a motion to adjourn.

Trustee Wilson so moved and Trustee Zimmerman seconded the motion. All Trustees voted "Aye". Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

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Barbara L. Lee, Certified Municipal Clerk